Gleerup, Jane Garland, Mrs. 1927-1932

[Madison, WI]

Mr. Sidney Roe —
New York, N.Y.
Dear Mr. Roe —

Having in my possession a coin which my grandmother used to wear on her watch chain years ago, I rather think that at the date it may have considerable value, which you may be kind enough to approximate for me. It is of gold-silver alloy, I should say — a trifle larger than a dime, somewhat thinner and appears to have had a ~~milled~~ milled edge, now worn off. I will draw a poor

You kindly if you can guide me in this matter, from my very crude description of the coin — I had the great pleasure of hearing your lecture when you were in Madison, not long ago —

With my regards believe me to be, Very truly yours —

(Mrs) Jane Garland Sherwood.

207 N. Randall Ave.

Madison. Wisconsin.

May 22, 1927.

representation of the decorations on either side - which are indented leaving a ridged edge —

Pardon

On the side of the clasped hands are numerals or hieroglyphics I cannot make out, after the initial P. going around to TWO - I am in need of money and would like the highest price I can properly ask. The Odd Fellows Lodge here, wish to buy the Coin and ask me to name a price. I will check

HOPKINS & TO. LONDON
C. SINGER TWO

May 27, 1927

Mrs. Jane Garland Gleerup,
208 N. Randall Ave.,
Madison, Wisc.

Dear Madam:

Responding to your letter of May 22nd, the gold coin you describe is probably a $2.50 piece and is of the issue struck by the Mormons. If it is not worn, it may be worth upwards of $50.00, but as so much depends on the condition of the piece, I could not put a valuation on it for you without seeing it. If you care to send it to me registered, I can be more definite. It is pierced, the value will be considerably lessened.

I hope this gives you the information you desire, andawaiting your further word, I am

Very cordially yours,

Secretary

SPN:MB

207 N. Randall Ave.
Madison, Wisc.

Mr Sidney P. Noe.
The American Numismatic Soc'ty
New York —

My dear Mr. Noe.

I thank you for your very kind and illuminating letter written just a month ago. It was my purpose to write you at once — but others negotiating for the coin, and also very busy times this last month with communal affairs galore, in many of which I was a vastly interested spectator — have contributed to this delay — The coin is in most excellent

condition, of a handsome gun-metal color, plainly marked and priced I have been assured its value was greater than 50.00 but if you or some friend who wish I had several friend coins, will give me 50.00 for the coin my grandmother possessed for many years — I will be very glad to send you my coin for that amount — With my regards and hopes for a very early reply, as we are to take a long motor trip, soon,

I am, your very truly

June 27. 47. (Mrs.) Ace Garland Deering.

July 1st, 1927

Mrs. Jane G. Gleerup,
207 N. Randall Ave.,
Madison, Wisc.

Dear Madam:

Your letter is at hand. The value I placed on your coin was a minimum one. If you will send it to me, I shall be very glad to try to dispose of it for you and whatever I obtain for the piece will be sent you. As we already have one of these coins in our collection, unless it is a materially better specimen, I see no reason for acquiring it for our Museum. If you will place the piece in a small tin or wooden box, wrapped in cotton and have it insured for $50, you need have no fear of its loss in the mail.

Awaiting further word from you, I am

Very cordially yours,

Secretary

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Mr Sidney T. Noe —
The American Numismatic Society
My dear Mr Noe —

I am trusting my valuable coin to you, knowing that you will negotiate it for all that it will bring — Since writing you I have heard further information, that its value will run up into many hundreds, as there are very few in existence. I was on the point of writing you, withdrawing my offer of the coin for 50.00 purposing making further enquiries of other numismats, which I still can do

However, inasmuch as you have been so very courteous and as I am positive you will exact the highest bid possible - and I am in great need of funds, after the years of studying my children through the University and also to have my Montana investments fail me - Hoping great hopes and trusting you will do this very utmost for me, believing it would be a discourteous act to put the coin in other hands

I am very sincerely yours,

(Mrs) Jane G. Kennedy.

2017 N. Randall Avenue -

Milwaukee Wisconsin

July 5, 1927.

July 11, 1927

Mrs. Jane G. Gleerup,
207 N. Randall Ave.,
Madison, Wisc.

Dear Mrs. Gleerup:-

Your letter and the gold coin have both been received and I am sorry to see that the coin has been pierced. For collectors' purposes, this destroys a great part of the value of such a piece. Without the hole through it, the coin would be worth from $50 to $75. Pierced as it is, the most I could get as an offer for it, was $10 to $10.50. As I am sure this would not be acceptable to you, I am returning the coin herewith and should be glad to have your acknowledgment of its safe receipt.

I regret very much that my efforts in your behalf could not have been more successful.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

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Mr. Sidney V. Poor -
The American Numismatic Society
New York -

My dear Mr. Poor -

To say that your letter of the 6th plunged me into deep dismay would be putting it mildly. My first impulse was to consult with other Coin Collectors. But that course, almost at once, seemed as very disastrous, not to say ungrateful; that I had decided to return the coin to you, hoping against hope that you may find some

collector who will be glad to place it along with valuable medals, which are all pierced are they not? — The piercing, in no whit, obliterates the beauty and authenticity of this coin, simply making it possible to suspend it on the wall or in a cabinet or upon the proudly worn watch chain of some one who need not count his shekles yet who would at hand a ^rare^ coin to interest all who were interested in numismatics. However — tho' I am confident, some such person might be found, by diligent and tireless search. this is all beside the mark I am aware — in spite of the rule that a beautiful and valuable coin should fall to one sixth or one nouth in value just because it is pierced. It being the ancient coin that is of value, not the bit that was pierced out of it..?

I realize how wonderfully kind and courteous you have been and I do thank you and also I do want to ask if you might find a collector who would give something more like 50.00 — if you might come across one who would use it as a rare ornament. I remember you wished I had several more of these gold pieces; Yet I have one and it is rejected because pierced — not defaced — Furniture dealers, will thankfully buy from a scrap of rare + ancient make. write pai?

as I very much need the money and as I can wait until the 25th or 20. of August, I would be very glad if there might be a possibility of the coin reaching a greater value than "(2.50 — Could you direct me to any other collectors who would not object to the piercing?

With my best regards and thanks for the unfailing courtesy I am Very truly yours

(Mrs) Jane Garland Greenup
207 N. Randall Ave.
Madison Wisconsin

July 25. 1927.

August 16, 1927

Mrs. Jane G. Gleerup,
207 N. Randall Ave.,
Madison, Wisc.

Dear Mrs. Gleerup:-

The response to your letter of July 25th has been delayed that I might make further efforts to secure an offer for your coin. I regret now to advise that I have not succeeded. From your letter it seems difficult for you to understand why the piercing of the coin should have detracted from its value. The fact is that it does and none of the dealers who have seen it, when they discovered it was pierced, would have anything to do with it. A pierced coin is like a piece of china that has been mended - nobody wants it. Even the man who thought it might be worth $12.50 does not care to take it at that price. I am, therefore, regretfully returning it to you.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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November 16, 1932.

Mrs. Jane G. Gleerup
914 W. Hadley Street
Whittier, California.

Dear Mrs. Gleerup:

Your letter of November 12th came this morning and because it has Mr. Bolender's response to you I am returning it. We have a very high opinion of Mr. Bolender and I think you need have no hesitation in sending your coin to him. If, however, the coin to which you refer is the one you sent me and concerning which I wrote you in 1927, at which time I pointed out to you that the coin's having been pierced greatly detracted from its value, then I feel sure that Mr. Bolender will not be willing to consider its acquisition at the price of $50.00. I merely mention this that you may not be disappointed. You will recall that I was unable to find anyone who was willing to pay $12.50 for the gold coin which you sent to me.. I feel sure that you would receive fair treatment from Mr. Bolender but should he offer anything in excess of the sum I have mentioned I should think it would be advisable for you to accept it, if the coin is the same one that was sent to me.

Very truly yours,

JN:JC

Secretary

Response to letter dated Nov. 12 asking for information regarding Bolender's reliability, apparently in connection with the coin sent to me previously.